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characteristics. Can't make it any more clear, but I'd be glad to answer any questions. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Baker. The Chair would recognize Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members. Senator Baker, I appreciate your taking pains to make this clear but I, again, just want to make sure I understand this. We're talking about the area on a farm that would exclude the house and the one acre underneath the house, would exclude the farm field, so it's sort of an intermediate area which we're referring to as the farm site. Am I correct?

SENATOR BAKER: That's correct.

SENATOR RAIKES: So...and referring back, you mentioned Senator Coordsen and his desire. I think his concern was that this area, this farm site, would be valued by an assessor much the same or based on sales of acreages; that there is an acreage that is sold and that brought \$10,000 an acre, or whatever the price might be, so that should be the value assigned to this farm site. He was concerned that that not be allowed to happen. Now would you say that your amendment would make it possible for a farm site owner to dispute and win a claim if an assessor did decide to value that property the same as a nearby acreage?

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Senator Baker.

SENATOR BAKER: I would say this provides the means to appeal that and win. It says it must be based upon significant physical, functional, location characteristics, and if you have a house out there on an acre, it's not being...it's not part of an active farmstead, then that's a different function than a working farmstead, and I think that amendment takes care of that.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. And, again, just quickly to run through a procedure that you might use to arrive at a comparable sale value for a farm site, suppose there were an 80-acre farm sold. That 80 acres happened to have a home, an area between the home